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**THIS IS A RESPONSE TO A
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS OF AN APPLICATION**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Re: Inventor: Hidetoshi YANO, et al.
Serial No: 10/026,743
Filed: December 27, 2001
For: DEVICE FOR REMOVING IMAGE DISFIGURING SUBSTANCES
AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

SIR:


Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION (RETURN COPY); FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f); DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION (3 pp., EXECUTED); LETTER TO THE OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN; FORMAL DRAWINGS (20 SHEETS, FIGURES 1-32); REQUEST FOR PRIORITY; PRIORITY DOCUMENTS (2) W/ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF TITLE AND FIRST TWO PAGES; INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; FORM PTO-1449; CITED REFERENCE (1)

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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FILING OF DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(f)

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SIR:

Responsive to the notification dated January 30, 2002, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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LETTER TO OFFICIAL DRAFTSMAN

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SIR:

It is requested that the enclosed TWENTY (20) sheets of Formal Drawings for FIGS.:

1 - 32 be entered to replace the Informal Drawings originally filed with the application.

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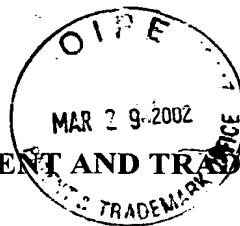
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REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

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SIR:

- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- ☐ Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- ☒ Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
Japan	2000-403395	December 28, 2000
Japan	2001-376440	December 10, 2001

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- ☒ are submitted herewith
- ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- ☐ were filed in prior application Serial No. filed
- ☐ were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- ☐ (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
- ☐ (B) Application Serial No.(s)
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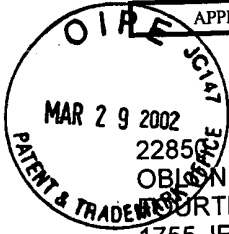
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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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